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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TAKEHIKO NAKAI

Application No.: 09/241,851

Filed: February 2, 1999

For: DIFFRACTIVE OPTICAL ELEMENT )  
AND OPTICAL SYSTEM HAVING :  
THE SAME )

Examiner: A. Chang

Group Art Unit: 2872

July 24, 2001

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 15, line 15, and ending at line 18, as follows. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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